

A Celebration of the Life of Ruth Valadon Gilb

Ruth was born in Havre, Montana on May 31, 1926 to Policena and Joseph Valadon, originally from the Azores Islands, Portugal. She attended Havre High School, and continued her education at the University of Idaho, Moscow, where she met her husband, Charles. Ruth and Charles were married on September 6, 1947 and moved to Pasadena, CA in 1949. They have three children, Denice, Michael and Valerie. In 1960 they moved to Arcadia, CA where they established strong roots.

Ruth became "First Lady" of Arcadia during Charles' four terms as Mayor. She owned the RVG Collection, a women's dress boutique in Arcadia. Ruth was also a consummate community volunteer. She was a 40+ year member of Altrusa International of Arcadia, Inc. She also belonged to the St. Rita's Guild, Arcadia Tournament of Roses, Arcadia Welfare and Thrift Foundation, Arcadia Methodist Hospital Foundation, the Assistance League of Pasadena, and National Charity League, serving as President for many of them.

Ruth and Charles' proudest achievement was the support and building of the Museum of Arcadia Heritage, which bears their name. Ruth and her husband Charles believed that in preserving and understanding the past it paves the way to a brighter future.

Ruth loved to spend time at Balboa Island with her family. She and Charles travelled the world, enjoying every minute of it.

Ruth is survived by her three children, Denice, Michael (Gayle), and Valerie, two granddaughters, Heather (Dan) Moore and Amy (Brian) Payne and five great grandchildren. She is also survived by her Sister-in-Law, Mary Lou Novak of Leawood, KS along with many nieces and nephews.

November 7, 2017
St. Rita's Catholic Church
Sierra Madre, California

Celebrant
Monsignor Richard Krekelberg

Pallbearers

Michael Gilb Valerie Gilb
Dan Moore Ritchie Duplechien
Steve Scott Steve Lacher

Singer

Lisa Bode Heard

Pianists

Paul Puccinelli Curtis Heard

First Reading

Wisdom 3:1-9
Vicki Lankas, Niece

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 23
Patrick Collins, Nephew

Second Reading

Romans 14:7-9
Colleen Morin, Niece

Gospel

John 14:1-6

General Intercession

Michael Gilb

Preparation of the Gifts

Wind Beneath my Wings

Presentation of Gifts

Granddaughters
Heather Moore Amy Payne

Communion

How Great Thou Art Amazing Grace Ave Maria

Remembrance

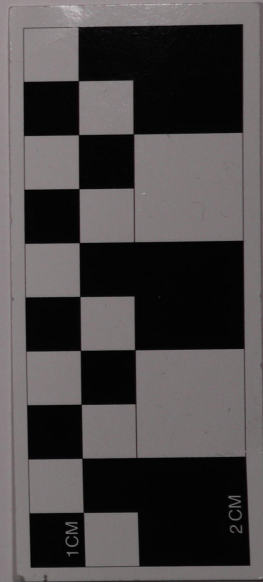
Denice Gilb

Meditation

Goodbye My Friend

Recessional Song

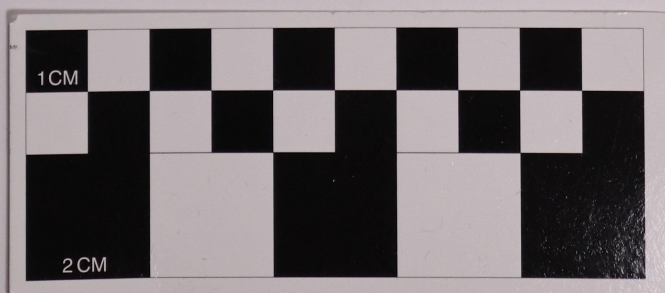
On Eagle's Wings



RUTH VALADON GILB



MAY 31, 1926 – OCTOBER 26, 2017



*Mom & Dad – We love you and miss you so much.
Love Always, Denice, Michael & Valerie*

Together Again, For Always



Interment – Rose Hills Cemetery

Whittier, CA

Wednesday, November 8, 2017, 11:00am

Memorial Contributions may be made to:

The Gilb Museum of Arcadia Heritage

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